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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

PAUL E. MATZ, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/320,252

Filed: May 26, 1999

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXECUTING
A TRANSACTION TASK WITHIN A
TRANSACTION PROCESSING SYSTEM
EMPLOYING SYMMETRIC
MULTIPROCESSORS**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), the Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully
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